end have been opened to passenger traffic. On the rest of the section, work is being rapidly progressed on tunnels, bridges, formation and collection of ballast and P.Way materials.

**Survey for new railway lines in Karnataka**

266. SRRI JANARDHANA POOJARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey for new Railway lines has been conducted in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) Updating of earlier survey for a new broad gauge line between Kottur and Harihar via Harapanahally—length 65 Kms. has been completed.

(ii) Survey for a new broad gauge line between Kadur-Chickmagalur and Sakleshpur via Belur—length 99 km is under progress.

**Completion of railway lines in Karnataka**

267. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of new railway lines which have been completed in Karnataka as on 15th July, 1994;

(b) what is the kilometer of railway track which has been converted from metre gauge to broad gauge so far; and

(c) the time by when all the metre gauge will be complete to Broad gauge in Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) During the 8th Five Year Plan construction of new Broad gauge line between Chitradurg and Rayadurg (100 kms.) and 662 kms. of gauge conversion has been completed.

(c) It is not proposed to convert all Metre gauge to Broad gauge.

**मंधार हिल रेल लाइन का दुमका तक विस्तार करना**

**268. श्री जनार्दन यादव :** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार में मन्दार हिल रेल लाइन का दुमका तक विस्तार करने के प्रस्ताव को स्वीकृति मिल गई है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि योजना आयोग ने उक्त रेल लाइन के विस्तार हेतु 110 करोड़ रुपए की धनराशि स्वीकृत की है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो यह कार्य कब तक आरंभ कर दिया जाएगा ; और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

**रेल मंत्री (श्री सी.के जाफर शरीफ):** (क) से (ग) जी, नहीं ।

(ग) प्रस्ताव योजना आयोग को भेजा गया था, अभी उनकी स्वीकृति प्राप्त नहीं हुई है ।